



## BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

June 13, 2011

5:30 p.m., 10th Floor Conference Room  
2 Civic Center Plaza, El Paso, TX

### MINUTES

Members Present: 6

David Turner, Ralph Cloud, Frederick Caldwell, Brian Wickstrom, James Tolbert, Janet Selzer

Members Absent: 2

Carlos Bombach, Jennifer Barr-Ardovino,

Member Vacancies: 1

Staff Present: Nanette Smejkal, Parks and Recreation Director, Joe Rodriguez, Special Programs Manager, Ginger Elliot, Program Recreation Supervisor, Stuart Ed, General Services Director, Joel McKnight, General Services Deputy Director, Fred Lopez, Comprehensive Plan Manager, Maggie Binkley, Administrative Assistant

1. Agenda Item #1. Meeting Called to Order  
David Turner, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. Agenda Item #2. Approval of Minutes: May 9, 2011  
Motion by Frederick Caldwell to approve minutes as written. Second by Ralph Cloud. Motion carried (unanimous).
3. Agenda Item #3. Call to the Public (for items not on the agenda)  
None
4. Agenda Item #4. Parks and Recreation Calendar and Newsletter  
Nanette Smejkal, Parks and Recreation Director, highlighted the calendar and newsletter included in the agenda packet. She reported Club Rec Summer Camp in progress, all pools operational, Activenet registration ongoing and encouraged members to review website for upcoming events.
5. Agenda Item #5. Subcommittees:
  - a. Grievance Subcommittee
    1. Discussion and Action:
      - a. Appeal of Suspension of Renegades Coach (Adult Softball) for five (5) years.  
Appellant: Jose Luna (*not present*)  
  
Motion by Brian Wickstrom to accept the Grievance Subcommittee's recommendation to reduce Coach Jose Luna's suspension from five (5) years to one (1) year. Second by Frederick Caldwell. Motion carried (unanimous).
      - b. Appeal of Suspension of Renegades Players (Adult Softball) for one (1) year. Appellants: Alex Luna, Joe Dyer, Ricardo Grageda (*present*), Baltazar Ramirez, Enrique Chavez

Ricardo Grageda, advised the Board that he was not involved in the altercation and was in the dug out when the incident occurred.

Motion by Brian Wickstrom to reduce suspension of Ricardo Grageda from one (1) year to none. Second by Janet Selzer. Motion carried (unanimous).

Motion by Brian Wickstrom to accept the Grievance Subcommittee's recommendation to reduce the suspension of players Alex Luna, Joe Dyer, Baltazar Ramirez, and Enrique Chavez from one (1) year to three (3) months. Second by Frederick Caldwell. Motion carried (unanimous).

2. Discussion and Action: Appeal of Suspension of Rattlers Coach and Players (Adult Softball) for one (1) year. Appellants: Lorenzo Fierro, Coach, Mike Morales, Eric March, Reynaldo Sias, Willie Rubio (*none present*)

Motion by Brian Wickstrom to accept the Grievance Subcommittee's recommendation to reduce suspension of Rattlers Coach Lorenzo Fierro, and Players Mike Morales, Eric March, Reynaldo Sias, and Willie Rubio from one (1) year to three (3) months. Second by Janet Selzer. Motion carried (unanimous).

3. Discussion and Action: Appeal of Forfeit of All Games Trojans (Spring 2011 Youth Football Major Division) for Illegal Player. Appellant: Rudy Acosta, Coach (*not present*)

Motion by James Tolbert to uphold Forfeiture of all games Trojans for illegal player. Second by Frederick Caldwell. Motion carried (unanimous).

- b. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Representative Meeting Report - City Plan Commission Subcommittee for Comprehensive Plan Rewrite

No report, Board Representative Jennifer Barr-Ardovino not present.

6. Agenda Item #6. Discussion and Action: Subcommittee Assignments (as needed)  
None

7. Agenda Item #7. Discussion and Information: Status of Landscape Ordinance Amendments  
Fred Lopez, Comprehensive Plan Manager, presented the amended Landscape Ordinance approved by City Council and reviewed the changes. The Ordinance was adopted at the higher levels recommended by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Open Space Advisory Board and is effective October 13, 2011. (Handout)

8. Agenda Item #8. Presentation and Discussion: Status of HVAC Cooling Upgrades, UV Filtration and Work Order Process

Stuart Ed, General Services Director, reported on upcoming HVAC upgrades requested by Parks and Recreation Department at Grandview Senior Center, Leona Ford Washington Center and San Juan Recreation Center. James Tolbert suggested using tree placements as an energy saving strategy. Mr. Ed reported that the two splash pools will be receiving Ultra-Violet Filtration systems. The upgrade requested by Parks and Recreation Department is in response to a new safety requirement that splash pools have two filtration systems. The MaintStar program used by General Services Department to process work orders was discussed. MaintStar interfaces with Outlook and can generate reports.

9. Agenda Item #9. Discussion and Information: Senior Center Staff Training  
Special Programs Manager Joe Rodriguez presented a PowerPoint outlining Senior Center programming, behavioral management and staff training. Discussion ensued on suspensions and communication skills at Senior Centers.

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10. Agenda Item #10. Discussion: Identify Items for Future Agendas

- Ojo De Agua Park

11. Adjournment – 6:37 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Maggie Binkley, Administrative Assistant